

Gaylord Police Department



2017 Annual Report

Gaylord Police Department Chief's Message



2017 brings to an end my 4th year serving the City of Gaylord as your Police Chief. Unfortunately this will be my final year. I've accepted a position with another agency and I will start my duties with them in mid-March.

Over the past four years, I have had the opportunity to work with some really great people. I have built an amazingly strong team here at the Gaylord Police Department and I feel they will continue to serve the great citizens of Gaylord with compassion and pride.

I will miss several things about working here none more than serving the citizens of Gaylord. It has truly been an honor and I wish you all the best of luck in your future endeavors.

I will remain a resident of Gaylord, so you're not completely done with me yet. See ya around!

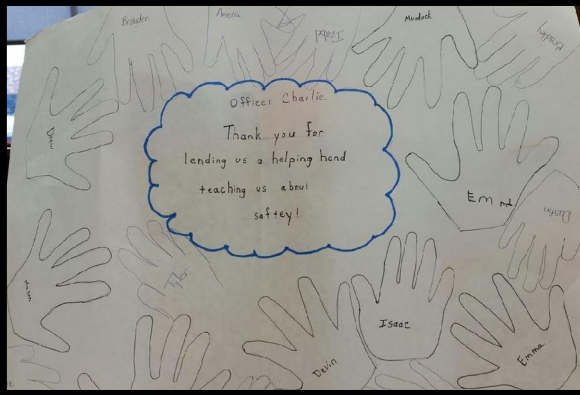
Chief Tony J Padilla



Gaylord Police Department Highlights



- The year started off with Sibley East Schools sending a great thank you to K9 Caesar and Chief Padilla for visiting.
- Shining Star Learning Center also sent a wonderful thank you to Sgt. Eichten for talking about safety with students in January.



- May 3rd, 2017 K9 Caesar participated in the Annual Gaylord Doggie Parade.

- On the evening of May 9, 2017 into the early morning hours of May 10, 2017 in the area between 2nd and 4th streets on High Ave, we received reports of two dwellings that were broken into and a van that was stolen.

Throughout the year GPD reminded residents to keep their property secure, lock car doors, and not leave keys in their vehicles.

- On Sunday June 18, 2017 at approximately 3:40 p.m. Gaylord Police Department along with the Sibley County Sheriff's Office responded to a past action burglary located at the Arlington Police Department. The burglary happened between Saturday June 17, 2017 at 10:30 a.m. and Sunday at 3:40 p.m. The suspects were able to gain entrance into the building through a locked back door. The break in resulted in no weapons being taken, however two cans of mace were taken from the police department.



Gaylord Police Department Highlights



•June 30th, 2017, as well as throughout the summer, Officers “caught” kids wearing their helmets and safely having fun on their scooters and bikes.



•July 4th, 2017, was Officer Ben Nelson's last day with GPD. While we miss Ben, we sent him off with our best wishes.

•August 1st, 2017
GPD participated in National Night Out 2017. We had a great time coming out to the different parties and talking with the residents of Gaylord.



•August 12th, 2017 Chief Padilla and Holden gave away bike helmets in the park.



Gaylord Police Department Highlights



●October 10th, 2017 Gaylord Police, Gaylord Fire, and Gaylord EMS held an open house.



Open House
Food, Tours, Door Prizes, and Fun!
Kids Bounce House!

Police	Fire	Ambulance
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> K9 Demo Patrol Car Tours Kids Bounce House State Patrol Helicopter and Mayo One (subject to availability) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Fire Truck Tours Smoke House Fire Truck Rides 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ambulance Tours Blood Pressure Screening

Oct. 10, 2017 • 5 p.m. – 7 p.m.
EMS Building 220 Jefferson Ave E, Gaylord, MN

●November 15th, 2017 Sergeant Eichten was officially promoted.



In addition we conducted a swearing in ceremony for our two latest officers, Officer Soucy and Officer Fisher. Both officers have completed all of our departments mandatory training and are working the road.



●December 9th, 2017 Gaylord Police Department helped Santa at the library. Officers were happy to get their holiday hugs!



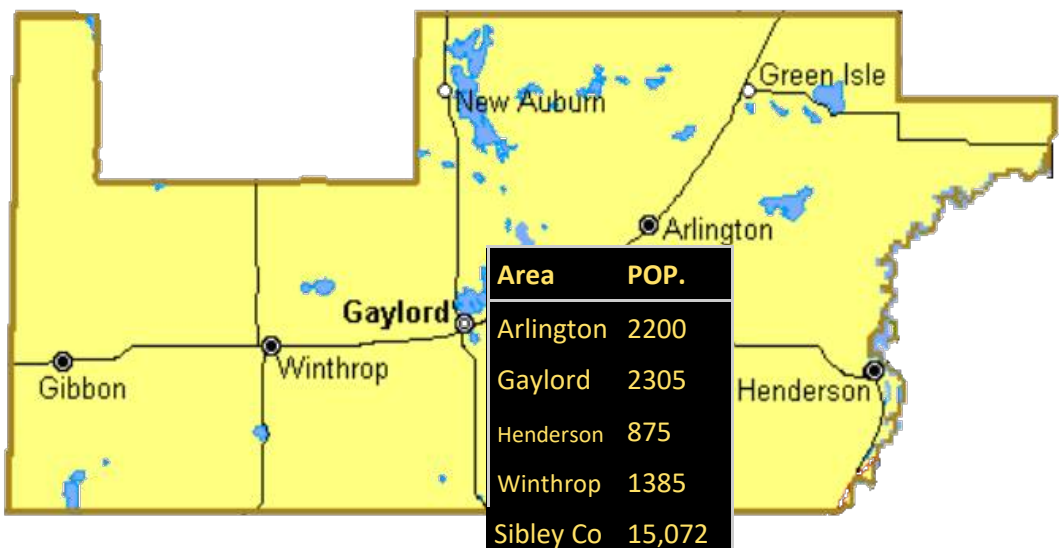
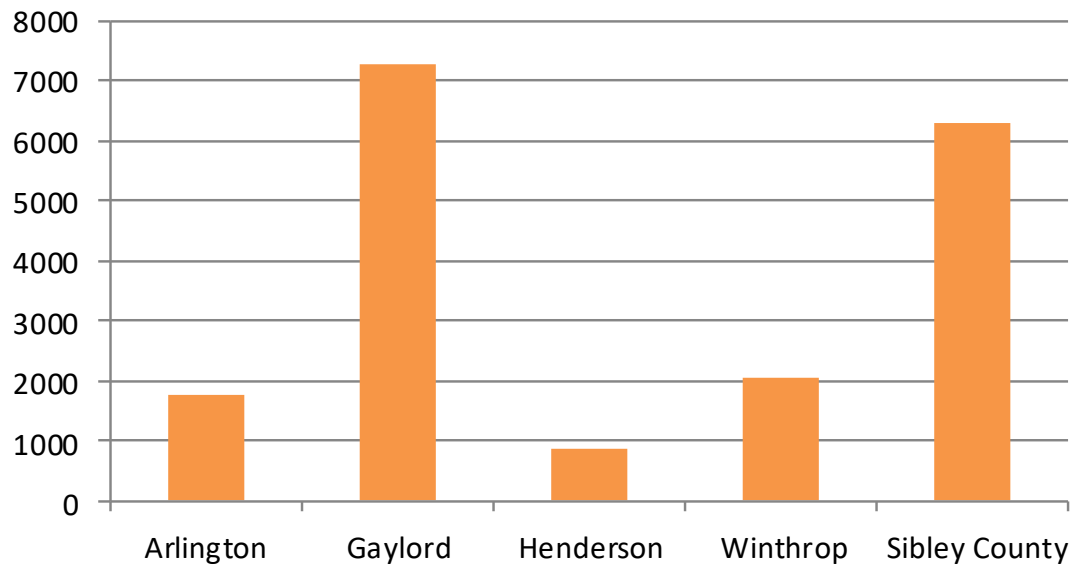
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Gaylord Police Department Calls



Gaylord Police Department had 7258 calls for service in 2017. You can see how this compares to the surrounding area.

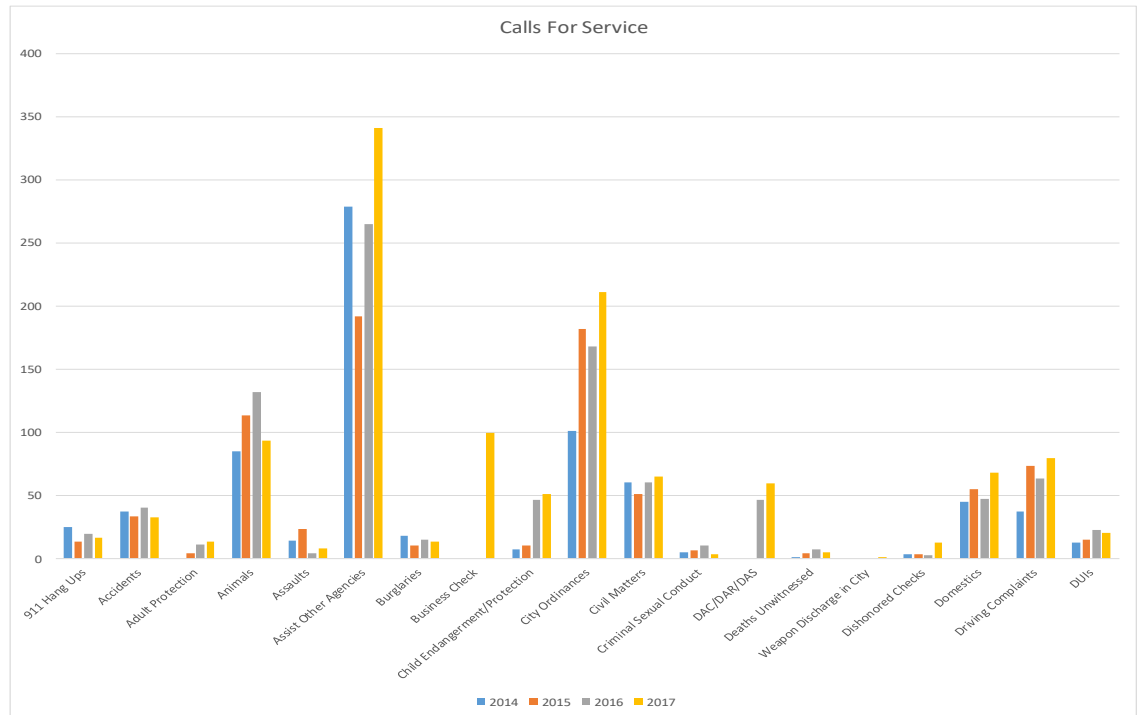
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What goes into each of the categories?

Some categories may be more self-explanatory than others. Here are some examples of the types of calls that go into those categories.

911 Hangup – caller dials 911 but hangs up before dispatch can find out why they called. Officers must determine if someone at the address really needs help.

Adult protection – Concern about vulnerable adults being abused or taken advantage of

Animal – animal bites, lost, dogs running at large, and found animals

Assist Other Agency – Officers help other law enforcement agencies with everything from trying to find current addresses on individuals in our city to backing up other officers on unpredictable calls. This category also includes when probation agents request help, child protection visits, background checks for daycares and prospective employees, and victim notifications.

Business Checks — a new breakout this year, even though we have done “stop and chats” at businesses before, we previously counted them under “Community Policing.”

City Ordinance – uncut lawns, junk in yard, parking on grass, no numbers on houses.

Civil Matter – contract disputes, custody issues

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DAC/DAR/DAS— Individuals driving after their license has been cancelled, revoked, or suspended

Escort – funeral homes, retail workers concerned about amount of cash or suspicious people when closing

Informational Only – sometimes notes about activity that isn't criminal, but may be useful in future calls, individuals and companies requesting reports and crash information, lookout for lost property, landlords giving information about buildings, repair, and concerns, stalled vehicle updates, information on wanted persons, information about public and private events happening in our city

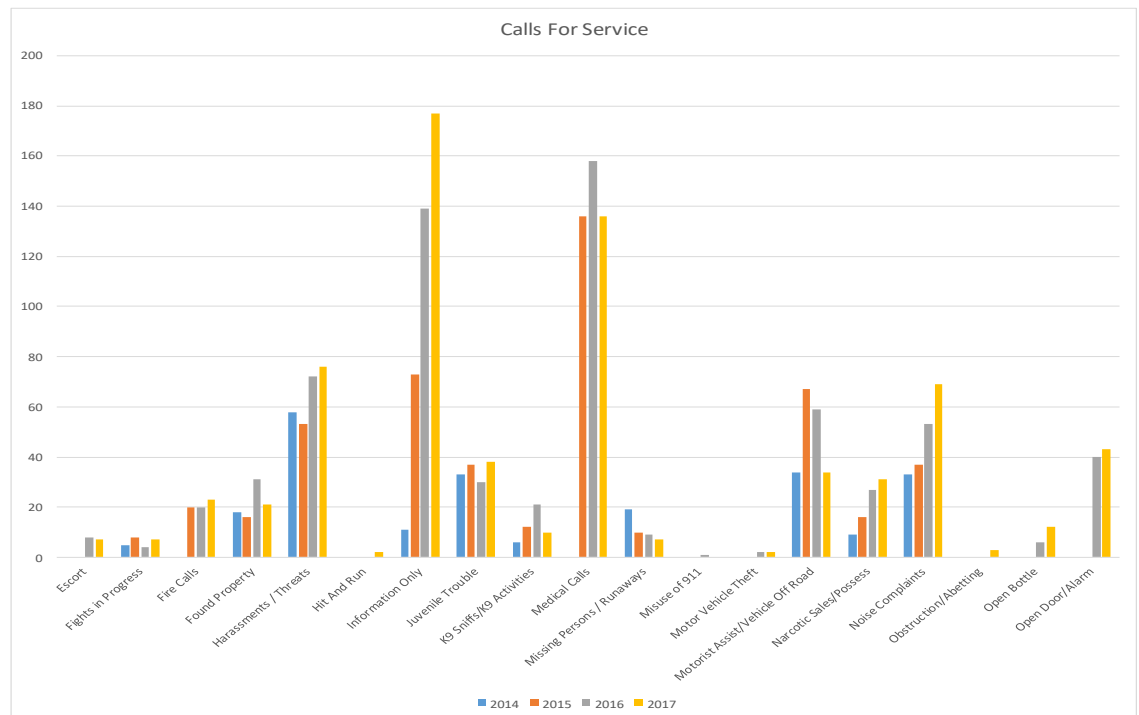
Juvenile Trouble – unruly children, bullying, truancy, children fighting

K9 Activities – training, exhibitions, certifying, sniffs, tracking, etc.

Predatory Offender Info – ensuring predatory offenders are compliant with registration

Public Assist – Informing individuals about open garage doors, dome lights on in vehicles, lights left on in vehicles. Answering questions about parking, ordinances, laws, HRO's; Contacting people in person for other family members when phones aren't available, giving directions, etc.

Residence Watch – Checking on people's homes when they are away

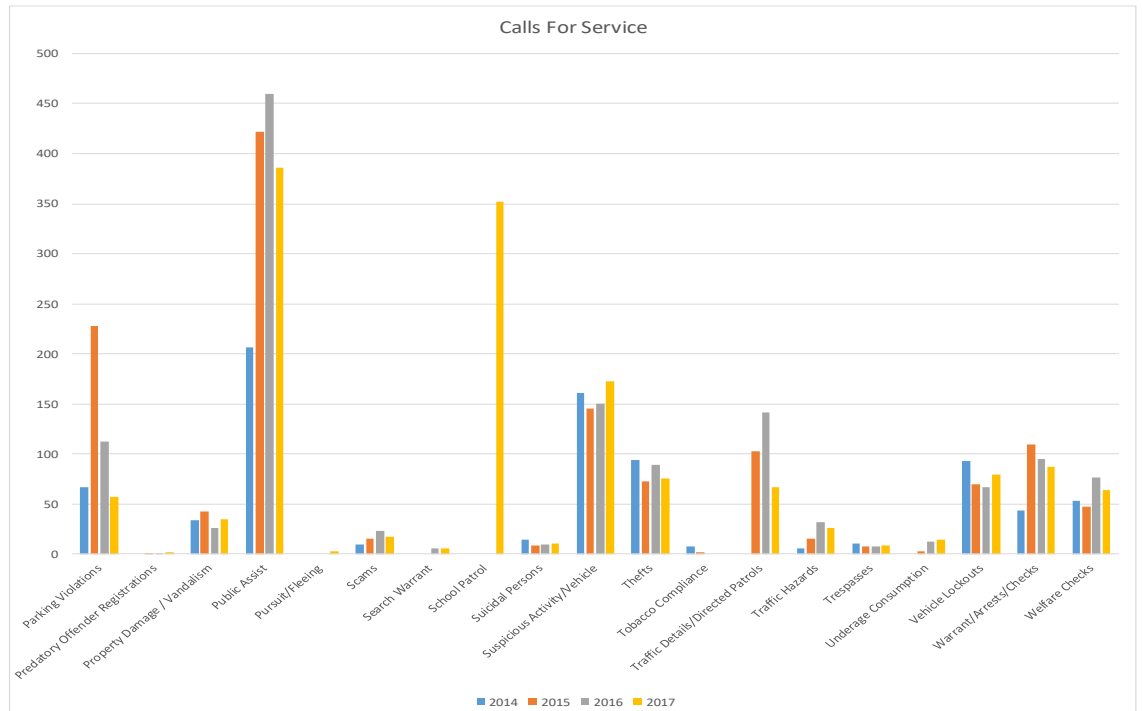


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School Patrol — While this was previously counted in “Community Policing” it now has a breakout of its own.

Traffic Hazard – something in the roadway that is a hazard for motorists. Officers try to remove and resolve the problem as quickly as possible.

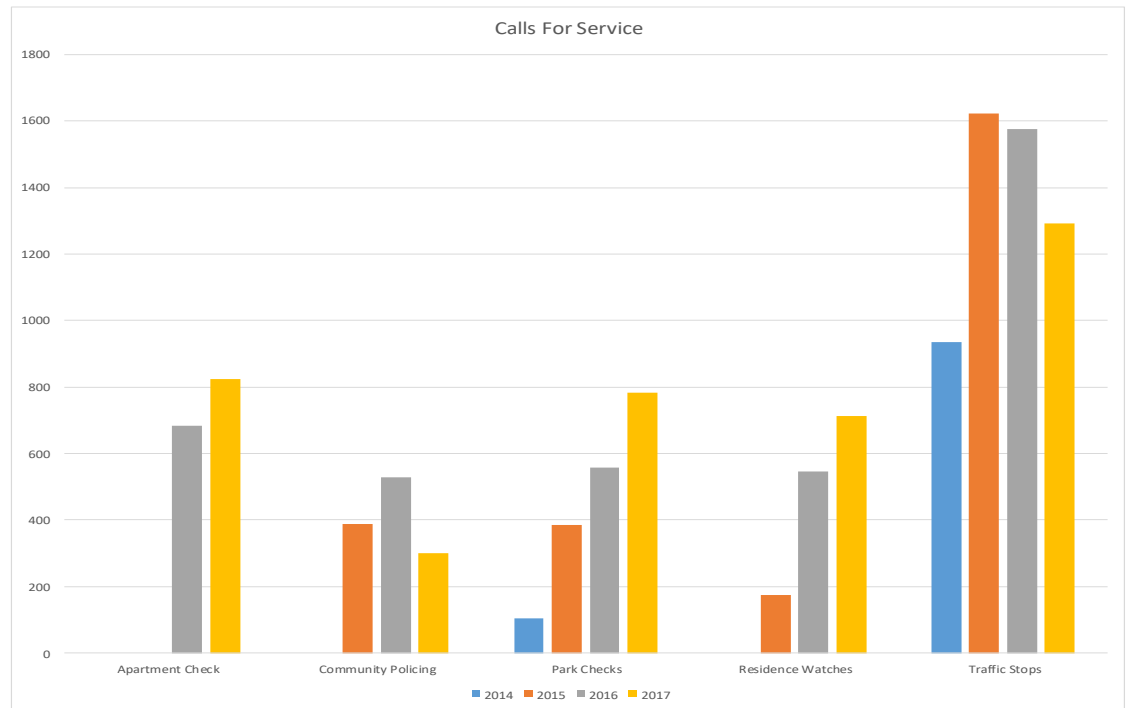


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Gaylord Police Department High Volume Calls



Some categories have very large numbers. These categories are broken out on this chart.



Apartment Check – Officers walk through apartment common areas on a preventative basis, quelling potential complaints before they become bigger issues.

Community Policing – walking through athletic games, participating in community events such as Music On Main, Farmer’s Market, Santa Day, and checking on community areas such as the Aquatic Center.

Park Check – Officers drive through the parks many more times than they “record” looking for suspicious activity.



Gaylord Police Department Traffic



Gaylord Police performed 1,291 traffic stops in 2017.

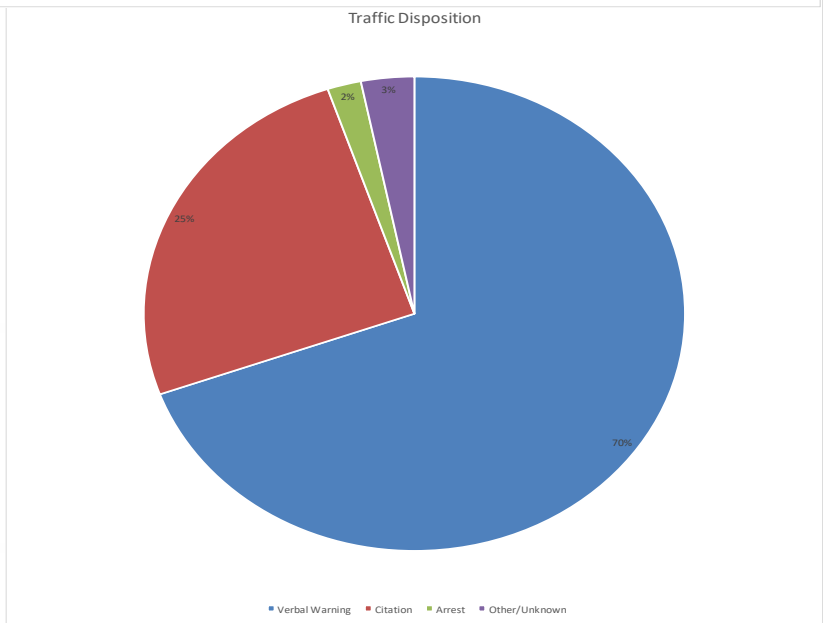
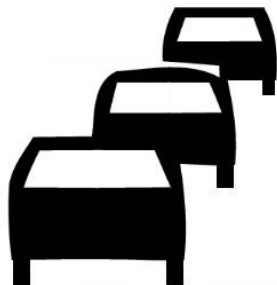
Speed limits and other traffic rules exist for a reason. Drivers who obey these laws make our roads and community safer. Officers stop

motorists violating these rules to try to encourage future compliance.

Stopping a vehicle because the driver failed to use a turn signal may turn into an investigation for driving under

the influence or not possessing a valid driver's license.

A vast majority of traffic stops result in the officer giving the driver a verbal warning.



Gaylord Police Department Ordinances



The total number of city ordinance violations in 2017 was 413. These included animals at large, illegal dumping, illegal fires, parking, and failing to take care of property.

Usually, the first step in getting property owners to resolve issues is a warning letter. There is a set number of days to take care of the problem, depending upon the violation. If the owner fails to resolve the issue, then a citation is issued. Sometimes the issue needs to go before the City Council for resolution.

Calls can be initiated by a citizen, or an officer.

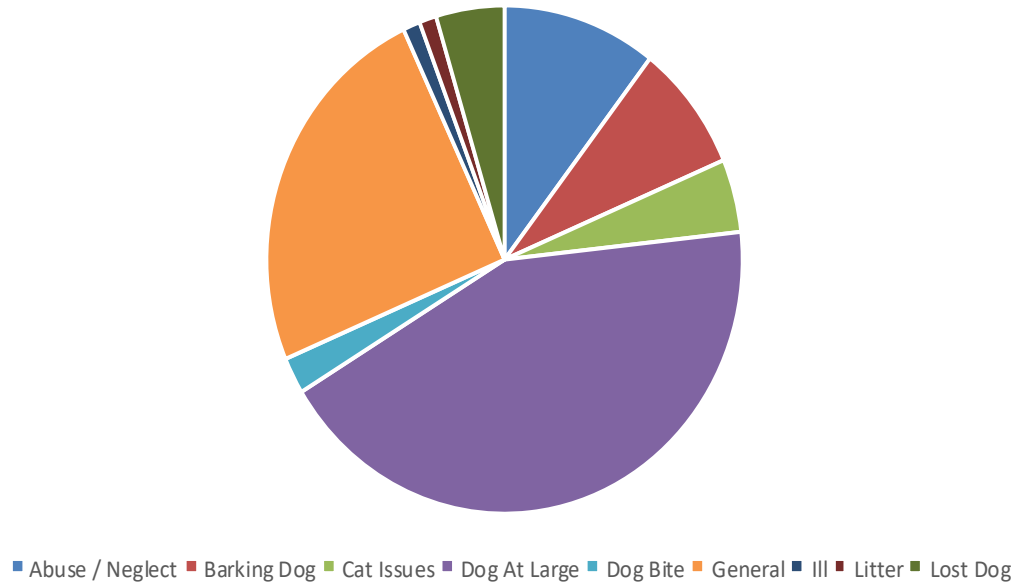


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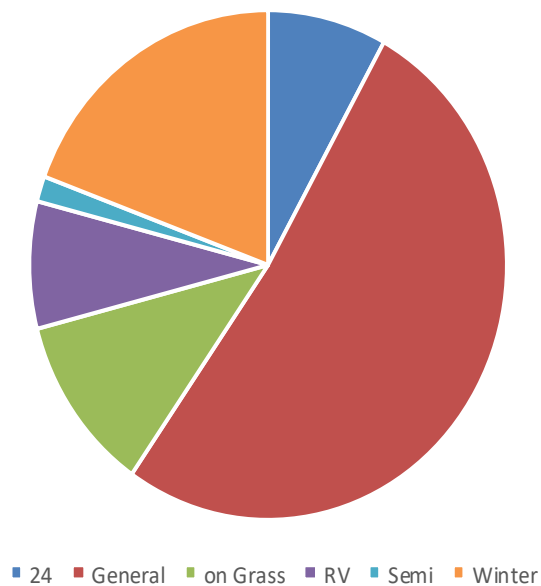


Animal Ordinance Breakdown



Gaylord Officers respond to city ordinance calls. A majority are animal or parking related. The graphs on this page represent the breakdown for these types of calls.

Parking Ordinance Breakdown

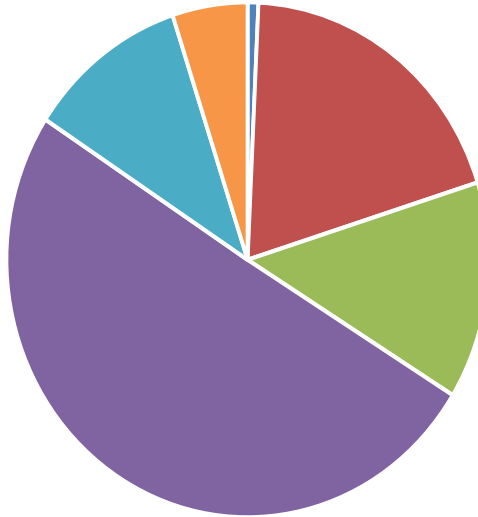


Gaylord Police Department Ordinances



Gaylord residents expect Officers to enforce city ordinances. Keeping property maintained makes a more enjoyable and safer community for all.

Property Ordinance Breakdown



■ Burning ■ Grass Clippings / Debris ■ Junk ■ Poor Repair ■ Weeds ■ Inoperable MV (expired tabs)



Gaylord Police Department Open House



On the evening of October 10, 2017, Gaylord Police hosted an Open House, with Gaylord Fire and Emergency Medical Services.



Thanks to the Eggstravaganza events, we were able to provide bounce houses for the kids to enjoy. We also had tours of the Mayo One helicopter and our own patrol cars.



Gaylord Police Department Open House



National Guard provided a simulated drunk driving course.



The highlight every year is K9 Caesar and his demonstration.

Gaylord Police Department Training



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Gaylord Police Department Eggstravaganza



Eggstravaganza 2017 was a very special one for the Gaylord Police Department. In addition to all the fun we have come to expect, we were also honored to be the focal point for 2017.

At the Egg breakfast Friday morning, four gentlemen with a great sense of humor, participated in Jail and Bail. Don Boeder, Dwayne Baggenstoss, Scott Richards, and Silvio Amorim, competed to see who could get the most donations.



They raised \$1,569.41 with bragging rights of "Winner" going to Don Boeder.

Don got to donate 25% to a local charity of his choice, and the remaining went to the Gaylord Police Department in the amount of \$1,177.06 for use in children's activities. We offer our deepest thanks to this group as well as the Eggstravaganza Committee.

Gaylord Police Department Eggstravaganza



Eggstravanza's parade was also special to Gaylord Police this year, as it showcased antique patrol vehicles. Our very own Chief Tony Padilla was Grand Marshal.



Gaylord Officers were honored to have their community show how much they are appreciated. It is wonderful to serve this community.



Gaylord Police Department Eggstravaganza



Eggstravaganza's logo was adapted into a tee shirt.

Other special events were tours of a Minnesota State Patrol helicopter and a public education booth staffed by Minnesota State Patrol.



K9 Caesar always draws a crowd for his demonstrations.



Gaylord Police Department Caesar



K9 Caesar is ending a 6 year career as a Police K9. K9 Caesar has been deployed over a 1000 times in his career to do everything from tracking suspects, area searches for suspects, building searches for suspects, and narcotics sniffs inside houses as well as vehicles. K9 Caesar has done a great job and is responsible with for taking a lot of criminals and drugs off the streets.

K9 Caesar loves coming to work every day. He never complains about working long hours, or not getting enough breaks. He's ready to respond whenever he's been needed.

Although K9 Caesar enjoys working alongside of his handler in the squad car, he's happiest when he gets the opportunity to perform in front of groups.

K9 Caesar is retiring, but you will still see him around town going for walks and hanging out with his family. Please feel free to come and say hello, if you see him around town.

